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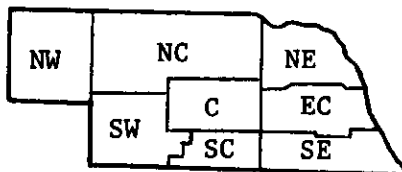
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WEEK'S WEATHER

Precipitation was very light across the State averaging less than a tenth of an inch. Record-breaking warm temperatures occurred the first of the week but consistent cold readings the remainder of the period kept departures about ten degrees below normal.

GENERAL

Over the holiday season, farmers and ranchers were caring for livestock, moving hay to feeding areas, repairing machinery, and doing chores. Other activities included attending sales, preparing records, and planning spring crop programs.

CROPS

Winter wheat condition continues to deteriorate in some parts of the State while other areas remain unchanged. A few reports indicated blowing soil in

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some dry, unprotected fields. Statewide, condition is mostly fair with the South Central District reporting the best wheat. Most parts of the State have very limited to no snow cover on the last day of December.

Winter rye is also reported to be in mostly fair condition statewide.

LIVESTOCK

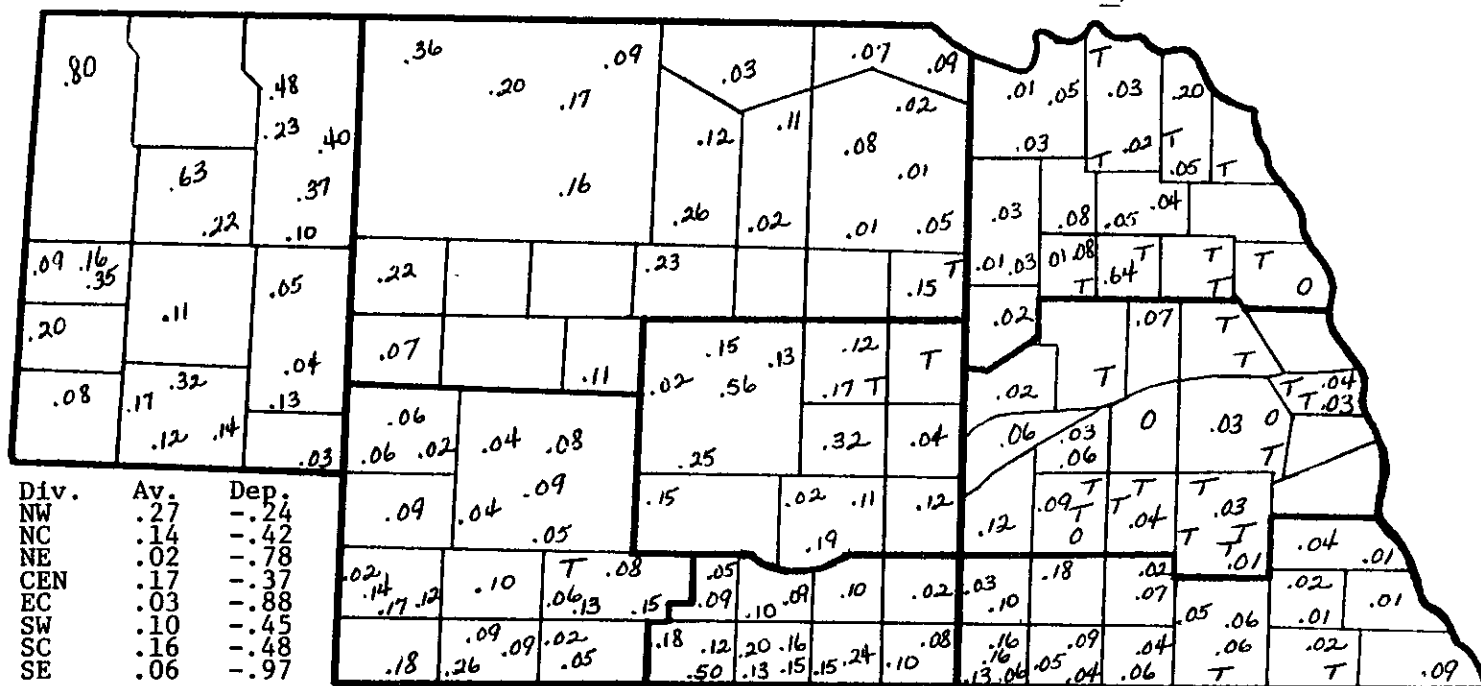
Cattle on pastures and ranges continue to need supplemental feeding. Most areas have had an open fall and winter to date, allowing grazing where possible. Of the counties reporting, nearly three-fourths indicate average feed grain supplies with the remainder mostly above average. Slightly over one-half of the counties reporting indicated average hay supplies with the remainder mostly below average. Nearly 60% of the corn and milo stalk fields were being pastured last week.

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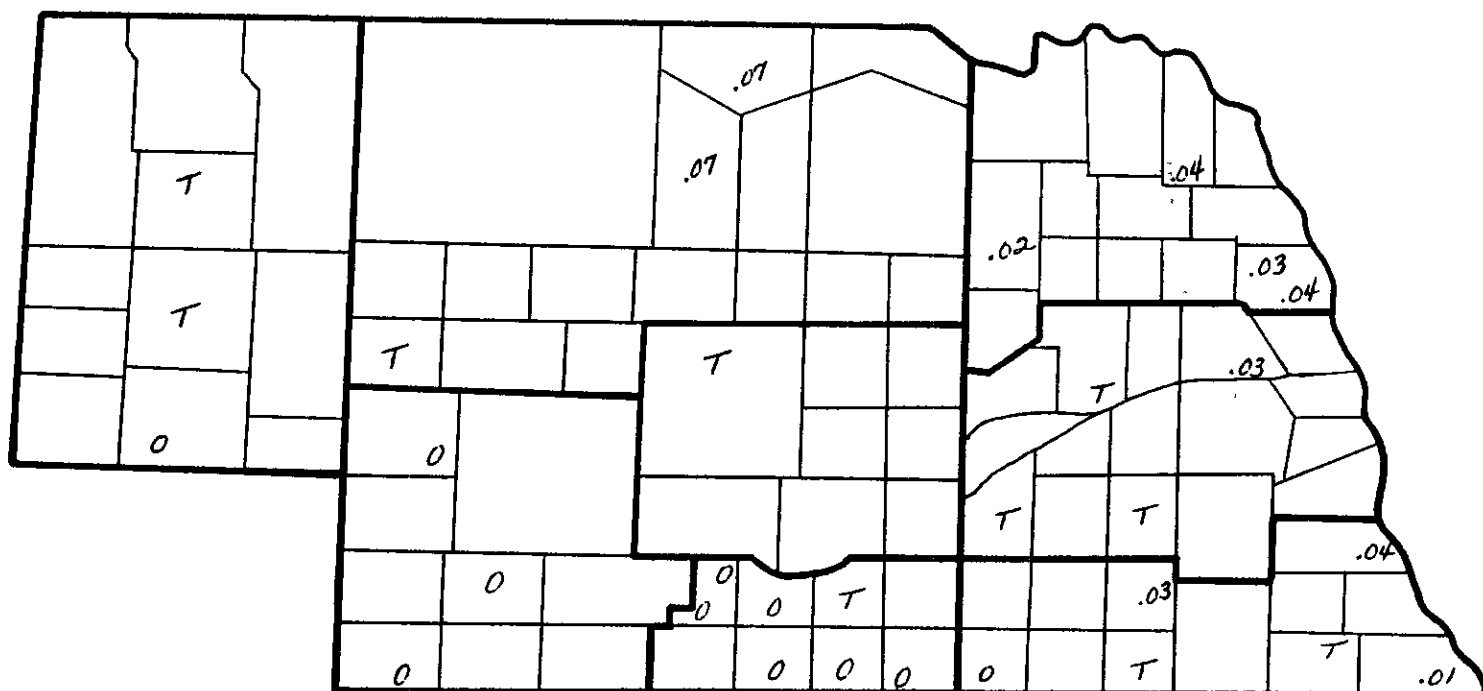


PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1976 1/



1/ Courtesy Conservation & Survey Division, University of Nebraska.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 1977



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 1977

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	48	-7	20	--	.01
	Scottsbluff	54	+2	26	+1	.01
	Sidney	54	-6	23	--	T
NC	Burwell	57	-12	17	--	T
	Valentine	54	-12	12	-9	.05
NE	Norfolk	56	-12	12	-8	.11
	Sioux City	53	-14	8	-11	.09
CEN	Grand Island	60	-9	19	-4	.02
EC	Lincoln	61	-16	15	-8	.07
	Omaha	61	-11	15	-9	.03
SW	Imperial	59	-3	22	--	T
	North Platte	58	-11	20	-4	T

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.